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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: CAT: PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

1. TWO DELEGATIONS HAVE AGREED ON FOLLOWING PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT:

BEGIN TEXT. THE DELEGATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN
AND THE SOVIET UNION HELD A SCHEDULED ROUND OF MEETINGS ON
QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE LIMITATION OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS
TRANSFERS, IN HELSINKI, FINLAND, JULY 18-28, 1978 THE
US DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY MR. LESLIE H. GELB, DIRECT OF
THE BUREAU OF POLITICO-MILITARY AFFAIRS, US DEPARTMENT OF
STATE. THE USSR DELEGATION WAS HEADED BY MR. L. I.
MENDELEVICH, AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE. THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS
WAS CONDUCTED IN A BUSINESS-LIKE ATMOSPHERE. THE NEXT
ROUND OF MEETINGS WILL BE HELD LATER THIS YEAR. END TEXT.

2. WE WILL TELL SOVIETS ON JULY 28 THAT WE PROPOSE TO
RELEASE THIS TEXT AT NOON WASHINGTON TIME, TUESDAY,
AUGUST 1, 1978 AND THAT THEY ARE FREE TO RELEASE IT
SIMULTANEOUSLY IN MOSCOW IF THEY WISH. WE ANTICIPATE
NO PROBLEM IN THIS REGARD FROM SOVIET SIDE. PLEASE
ADVISE IF TUESDAY RELEASE PRESENTS ANY PROBLEMS FOR
WASHINGTON.

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